

Carson Leader Named to County Industrial Group

Supervisor Burton W. Chase has named a Carson civic leader to a vacancy on the county's Industrial Survey Advisory Committee.

The appointment of John Calas becomes effective immediately.

Calas will replace E. H. Booth Jr., formerly of the Dominguez Estates Co., who is moving out of state.

"It is with regret that we must accept Mr. Booth's resignation, since he served well on this committee," Chase said.

Calas, of 21720 S. Avalon Blvd., is active in many affairs in the city of Carson and was a leader in the successful movement for incorporation.

The committee serves the Board of Supervisors in an advisory capacity on matters relating to industry, particularly in the Carson area.

Junior Symphony Plans Auditions

All Southern California teenagers who play orchestral instruments have been invited to tryout for the famed Junior Philharmonic Orchestra as part of the symphony's 31st annual auditions.

Auditions begin tomorrow and continue for two weeks through Feb. 29, according to Dr. Ernst Katz, founder-conductor of the musical group.

Boys and girls in this area, between the ages of 12 and 19, playing flutes, oboes, English horns, clarinets, bass clarinets, alto saxes, bassoons, trumpets, trombones, French

horns, tubas, drums, tympani, piano, violins, violas, cellos, and basses are asked to call 276-5923 and an audition will be set.

There is no audition fee or membership charge for joining the symphony.

DEDICATED to "Give Youth A Chance To Be Heard," the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra is a non-commercial civic all-youth symphony with a roster of 100 boys and girls drawn from 36 cities in Southern California.

"During these 31st annual

tryouts many sections of the orchestra will be doubled to give more young people from this area a chance to participate in our forthcoming activities with a special call for instrumentalists playing violins, basses, oboes, and French horns," Katz said.

THE JPO is cooperating in General Dwight D. Eisenhower's "People to People Program" and holds 42 special commendations from President Lyndon B. Johnson, Governor Ronald Reagan, the U.S. Congress, the California State

Legislature, and the Los Angeles City Council.

Among the world-famed musical personalities who are honorary members of the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra are composers Meredith Willson, Ernest Gold, Ferde Grofe, Conductor Sir John Barbirolli, Violinist Isaac Stern, and Concert Pianist Jose Iturbi.

FARMER'S SHARE For most foods in the U.S. the farmer receives less than half the retail cost. On the average, he now gets 38 per cent of the retail food bill.

Assignment TV

By TERRENCE O'FLAHERTY

Back in the twenties the most beloved dog in America was Rin-Tin-Tin, an ex-German Army hound who became one of the biggest movie attractions of his time. In the thirties it was Lassie. Both were popular because they represented everything that a dog should be—brave, loyal, obedient and photogenic.

Today, in the pulsing Sixties, the most-admired dog in the world is a different sort of canine entirely. He is Snoopy, the flop-eared beagle in the "Peanuts" family of cartoon characters whose doings are read and discussed by an estimated 90 million readers every day all over the world.

He is neither obedient, nor particularly brave. As a matter of fact Snoopy isn't a real dog at all; he is an image of what people would like a dog to be. He has made several guest appearances on television with the rest of the "Peanuts" crowd where he played supporting roles to Charlie Brown, baseball and a Halloween pumpkin. This week he gets star billing at last on a TV "special" entitled "He's Your Dog, Charlie Brown" on the CBS network tonight at 8:30. It should be an occasion for rejoicing among dog-lovers.

CHARLES M. SCHULZ, the artist-writer who creates the characters in the "Peanuts" cartoon strip, lives in the quiet little town of Sebastopol, an easy drive north of San Francisco in a gently rolling countryside which supplies Northern California with apples, eggs, and wine. The "Peanuts" television shows are written by him, produced in nearby Burlingame, and filmed in Hollywood, the cartoon land once ruled by Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and Popeye the Sailor Man.

"Snoopy was never meant to be a real dog," Schulz has said. "If he ever becomes real I'll have to fire him. Sometimes I think he gets a bit too fantastical. Perhaps I'll have to simplify him. He's

beginning to take the pen right out of my hand."

So far Schulz has managed to subdue the dog and keep him in a sort of cartoon Never-Never Land. He never allows him to talk in dialogue like the others but he speaks only through the unreal medium of the comic strip "balloon" where his thoughts and dreams are left dangling in mid-air. Instead of hearing him speak, readers feel as if they are reading his mind.

THIS SIMPLE device is more logical than it seems. Anyone who has ever had a dog will understand immediately. Dogs speak to humans with an expression in the eyes, a tilt of the tail, or a large yawn followed by a licking of the lips and a look of contentment. Who has not watched a dog and felt the eerie sensation that he is talking quite clearly in invisible dialogue in the silent air above his head?

Snoopy's dialogue is drawn only in profile. The reader has never been shown what it's like inside but no "Peanuts" fan needs to see it. He knows that it has wall-to-wall carpet, a pool table and an original Van Gogh.

Also, we have never actually seen Snoopy's adversary, the Red Baron, or the Daisy Hill Puppy Farm, but they are all very firmly planted in our mind because nothing is quite so real as something that is painted by our imagination.

Wisely, Schulz has not changed his non-picture, non-dialogue policy in transferring Snoopy to television and therefore he has retained a special sort of mystery.

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The new method may also allow much more time for getting the diver to a decompression chamber and cut down the time he must spend in the chamber.

Death Toll Declines In January

Capitol News Service
SACRAMENTO—California got off to a good start on the highways in January, with 23 fewer persons killed than in the same month of last year.

And the death toll during the first months of 1967 had been below that for 1966. The California Highway Patrol said 344 persons were killed in January, 1968, as compared with 367 in January, 1967. During January, CHP officers made 170,412 arrests, up 22.6 per cent from a year earlier. There were 3,695 drunk driving arrests in January, as compared with 2,791 in January of 1967.

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